



## METROPLAN ORLANDO BOARD MEETING AGENDA

DATE: Wednesday, November 10, 2021

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: MetroPlan Orlando  
250 S. Orange Ave, Suite 200  
Orlando, Florida 32801

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| I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Boardroom)    | Chairwoman Janer           |
| II. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS                                | Chairwoman Janer           |
| III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS                  | Mr. Gary Huttman           |
| IV. FDOT REPORT  | Mr. Jared Perdue           |
| V. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM                  | Ms. Lisa Smith             |
| VI. AGENDA REVIEW  | Mr. Gary Huttman           |
| VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS                                   |                            |
| Municipal Advisory Committee                             | Council Member Keith Trace |
| Community Advisory Committee                             | Ms. Sarah Elbadri          |
| Technical Advisory Committee                             | Mr. Nabil Muhaisen         |
| Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee | Mr. Doug Jamison           |

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS**

Public comments relating to **Action Items** may be submitted in advance of the meeting, by email to [Comment@MetroPlanOrlando.org](mailto:Comment@MetroPlanOrlando.org). Emailed comments will be provided to board members. Anyone attending virtually or in-person and wishing to speak during the meeting should complete an [electronic speaker card](#). Each speaker has *two minutes* to address the board. The Chairperson will first recognize online attendees. Speakers should use the Raise Hand feature on the Zoom platform, and you will then be invited to unmute your microphone to speak. In-person speakers will be called next. Each speaker should state his/her name and address for the record. People wishing to speak on other items will be acknowledged in the same way, under Agenda Item XIII.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA (Tab 1)**

- A. Minutes from September 8, 2021 Board meeting – page #5
- B. Approval of the MetroPlan Orlando Board/Committee 2022 meetings schedule – page #13
- C. Approval of Financial Report for August & September 2021 - page #14
- D. Approval of FY 2022 Budget Amendment #3 – page #19
- E. Acceptance of Annual Financial Report – page #23

F. Approval of General Planning Consultant (GPC) Contract Awards – page #24

X. PRESENTATIONS

A. A presentation on the process and selection of Federal Stimulus Projects –John Tyler, FDOT

B. I-4 Beyond the Ultimate – Federal Stimulus as part of the BTU– Catalina Chacon, FDOT

XI. OTHER ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of the Amendments to the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (Tab 2)  
Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando Staff (Roll Call Vote)

B. Approval of the FDOT Amendment to FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 TIP (Tab 3)  
Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, (Roll Call Vote)  
FM #4411133 – I-4 at Daryl Carter Pkwy. Interchange  
FM #4443151 – I-4 at Sand Lake Road from west of SR 528 to west of Kirkman Road  
FM #4443153 – I-4 from west of Central Florida Pkwy. to west of SR 528

C. Approval of 2022 Legislative Priorities (Tab 4)  
Ms. Virginia Whittington, MetroPlan Orlando Staff

XII. INFORMATION ITEMS FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (Action Item) (Tab 5)

A. Executive Director's Report – page #39

B. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report – page #42

C. Air Quality Report – August & September 2021 – page #52

D. Letter of Support – FY 2021 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure & Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program – CFCRC/SunRail Universal Crossovers Project – page #54

E. Letter of Support – University of South Florida VECTOR System Project – page #55

F. Notice to Proceed – National Institute for Congestion Reduction for research into Sustainability of a Regional TSMO Program – page #57

G. Letter of Support – Programs considered in the Federal Reconciliation – page #58

H. Letter of Support – Federal Lands Access Program Black Bear Scenic Trail – page #60

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)

Comments from the public, of a general nature, will be heard during this comment period. Each speaker has *two minutes* to address the board. Public comments submitted in advance of the meeting by email to [Comment@MetroPlanOrlando.org](mailto:Comment@MetroPlanOrlando.org) will be provided to board members. People wishing to speak virtually or in-person during the meeting should complete an [electronic speaker card](#). The Chairperson will first recognize online attendees. When called upon, speakers should use the Raise Hand feature on the Zoom platform, and you will then be invited to unmute your

microphone to speak. In-person speakers will be called next. Each speaker should state his/her name and address for the record.

**XIV. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**XV. NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, December 8, 2021**

**XVI. ADJOURNMENT**

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**TAB 1**





**MetroPlan Orlando Board**

**MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** Wednesday, September 8, 2021

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m.

**LOCATION:** MetroPlan Orlando  
Park Building  
250 S. Orange Ave, Suite 200  
Orlando, FL 32801

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**Commissioner Viviana Janer, Board Chair, Presided**

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**Members attending the meeting via the Zoom platform:**

Hon. Emily Bonilla, Orange County  
Hon. Ricky Booth, Osceola County  
Hon. Bob Dallari, Seminole County  
Hon. Jerry L. Demings, Orange County  
Hon. Jim Fisher, City of Kissimmee  
Hon. Maribel Gomez Cordero, Orange County  
Hon. Viviana Janer, LYNX/Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission  
Hon. Christine Moore, Orange County  
Hon. Tony Ortiz, City of Orlando  
Mr. Stephen Smith, Sanford Airport Authority  
Hon Keith Trace, MAC  
Hon. Mayra Uribe, Orange County

**Members attending the meeting via the Zoom Platform:**

Hon. Brandon Arrington, Central Florida Expressway Authority  
Hon. Pat Bates, City of Altamonte Springs  
Hon. Buddy Dyer, City of Orlando  
Mr. M. Carson Good, GOAA  
Hon. Victoria Siplin, Orange County  
Hon. Art Woodruff, City of Sanford  
Hon. Jay Zembower, Seminole County

**Advisors in Attendance**

Ms. Sarah Elbadri, Community Advisory Committee  
Mr. Doug Jamison, Transportation Systems Management & Operations Committee  
Mr. Thomas Kapp, Kissimmee Gateway Airport  
Mr. Nabil Muhaisen, Technical Advisory Committee

**Members/Advisors not in Attendance:**

Hon. Bryan Nelson, City of Apopka  
Secretary Jared Perdue

**Others in Attendance :**

Mr. Jeremy Dilmore, FDOT  
Mr. John Tyler, FDOT  
Ms. Christine Kefauver, Brightline  
Ms. Anna Taylor, FDOT  
Ms. Carol Scott, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise  
Mr. Siasosi Fine, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise

**Staff in Attendance :**

Mr. Gary Huttman  
Mr. Jay Small, Mateer & Harbert  
Mr. Jason Loschiavo  
Ms. Virginia Whittington  
Mr. Nick Lepp  
Mr. Keith Caskey  
Ms. Cynthia Lambert  
Ms. Mary Ann Horne  
Ms. Lisa Smith

## **I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Viviana Janer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and welcomed everyone. Commissioner Tony Ortiz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **II. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chairwoman Janer informed attendees that today's meeting is being held in the hybrid format with a minimum number of board members physically present and other board members participating on the Zoom platform. She summarized her August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting with Secretary Perdue. Commissioner Janer announced that the Osceola County State of the County is scheduled for October 6<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Mayra Uribe reported on the July 29<sup>th</sup> Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) meeting and August 12<sup>th</sup> Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (TDLCB) meeting. Commissioner Uribe encouraged fellow Board members to have their respective jurisdictions pass a resolution in support of Blind American's Equality Day scheduled for October 15. Commissioner Uribe was a speaker at the Florida APA meeting and provided an overview of the event held in Miami from August 31<sup>st</sup> through September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mayor Jerry Demings reported on the August 12<sup>th</sup> Central Florida Commuter Rail Commission (CFCRC) meeting. Chairwoman Janer announced that this meeting is Mr. Stephen Smith's final Board meeting representing the Orlando Sanford Airport. She thanked him for his service on the MetroPlan Orlando Board.

## **III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Gary Huttman thanked Board members for helping to ensure a quorum for the hybrid meeting. He reported that last week was NARC Membership week which is a time that is set aside each year for them to check up on their membership and also serves as an evaluation of how they're doing. Mr. Huttman announced that the NARC Executive Director's Conference and Board Retreat is scheduled for September 26-28 and will be a live event. Mr. Huttman announced that the AMPO annual meeting is scheduled for October 5-8 and will also be a live event. Mr. Huttman reported that he continues to coordinate with FDOT Leadership and Work Program staff on stimulus funding. Mr. Huttman reminded Board members that the FAST Act expires at the end of the month and that the reauthorization bill is now embedded in the overall \$1.2T Senate Infrastructure Package. That bill has passed the Senate and is currently awaiting final action in the House. Mr. Huttman informed Board members that the Executive Committee meeting that was scheduled in August had to be cancelled due to a COVID scare. He alerted Executive Committee members that staff would be reaching out to schedule a meeting before the November Board meeting. He provided an overview of FDOT Mobility Week scheduled for October 29-November 5 and activities that are planned in conjunction with the event. Mr. Huttman informed that he has met with new board member Mr. Tom Green, the new Orlando Sanford Airport representative. Mr. Huttman recognized MetroPlan Orlando staff member, Virginia L. Whittington, for being appointed to the Orange County Redistricting Committee. He recognized the MetroPlan Orlando Communications Team for having won an Award of Distinction for the 2045 Plan Digital Public Participation Program won at the statewide Florida Public Relations Association's Golden Image Awards.



**IV. FDOT REPORT**

None.

**V. ROLL CALL AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM**

Ms. Lisa Smith conducted the roll call and confirmed that a quorum was physically present.

**VI. AGENDA REVIEW**

Mr. Huttman reported there were no changes to the agenda. Mr. Huttman supported Commissioner Uribe's encouragement of Board members to have their individual jurisdictions support the Blind American's Equality Day by passing a similar resolution as what's on the agenda.

**VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

The Chairs from the Municipal Advisory Committee, the Community Advisory Committee, the Technical Advisory Committee and TSMO Committee reported out on their respective August and September meetings.

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ACTION ITEMS**

None.

**IX. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes from July 7, 2021 Board meeting
- B. Approval of Financial Report for June (unaudited) & July 2021
- C. Approval of FY 2022 Budget Amendment #2 (Roll Forward)
- D. Ratification of FY 2021 Year End Budget Amendment #7
- E. Approval of Personnel Committee Recommendation for the Executive Director's Annual Review
- F. Approval of Personnel Committee Recommendation of changes to the MetroPlan Employee Handbook
- G. Approval of contribution to Bike Walk Central Florida for Best Foot Forward Pedestrian Safety Program
- H. Approval of Board Resolution in support of "Blind Americans Equality Day"
- I. Approval of Board Resolution in support of "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day"

**J. Approval to Extend Sole Source Contract with the University of Florida for Maintenance of the Web-based Crash Database**

**K. Approval to Extend the State Legislative Consultant Contract with Peebles Smith & Matthews, Inc for one additional year**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Dallari moved approval of the consent agenda, items A through K. Commissioner Uribe seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**X. OTHER ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Approval of the Roll Forward Amendments to the 2021/22 - 2025/26 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)  
Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando Staff (Roll Call Vote)**

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, presented an overview of the TIP amendment request. A letter from FDOT explaining the amendment request which included a roll forward report was provided along with a fact sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff and the draft resolution. Council Member Trace voiced his concern for a change to the FTE mainline widening project located in Osceola County that runs from Osceola Parkway to Kissimmee Park Road. He explained that the length of the project was reduced from 7.5 down to 5 miles which greatly affects the high growth area of Osceola County to the south of the project. Mr. Trace expressed concern that a gap will be created between the new and old interchange and that will create a bottleneck of truck traffic traveling into the high growth area of Osceola County. Mr. Caskey explained that a meeting was held approximately two months ago concerning the change and that another meeting will be scheduled to include staff from FTE, Osceola County and the City of St. Cloud in an attempt to resolve the issue. Mr. Lepp, MetroPlan Orlando staff, explained that the project was shortened based on the adjusted revenues. Staff is working with FTE to figure out where the project fits now.

**MOTION:** Mayor Demings moved approval of the FY 2021/22-2025/26 TIP. Commissioner Ortiz seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Motion carried unanimously with an 18-0 vote.

**B. Approval of the SunRail Roll Forward Amendments to the 2021/22-2025-26 TIP  
Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando Staff (Roll Call Vote)**

Mr. Keith Caskey, MetroPlan Orlando staff, presented an overview of the TIP amendment request. A letter from FDOT explaining the amendment request was provided along with a fact sheet prepared by MetroPlan Orlando staff and the draft resolution.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Dallari moved approval of the FY 2021/22-2025/26 TIP. Commissioner Uribe seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted. Motion carried unanimously with an 18-0 vote.

**XI. INFORMATION ITEMS FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (Action Item)**

- A. Executive Director's Report**
- B. FDOT Monthly Construction Status Report**
- C. Air Quality Report – June & July 2021**
- D. FDOT Mobility Week 2021 Announcement**
- E. Memo from Mr. Huttman to MetroPlan Board – Best Foot Forward Results for July 27 & 28, 2021**
- F. FDOT FTE Fact Sheet – Turnpike Mainline Widening PD&E Study from SR 408 to SR 50**
- G. FDOT FTE Fact Sheet - Turnpike Mainline Widening Clermont/SR50 to Hancock Road/Minneola, Orange and Lake Counties**
- H. FDOT FTE Fact Sheet – Turnpike SR429 Widening PD&E Study from North of I-4 to Seidel Road**
- I. Copy of Maricopa Association of Governments Fact Sheet for high growth areas re: Federal Funding Allocations**
- J. Tracking the Trends**
- K. Featured Research and Articles:**
  - **This is 21<sup>st</sup> Century Infrastructure, Bill Lucia, Route Fifty Today, July 29, 2021**
  - **Looking Beyond COVID-19: Implications for Workplaces in the Transportation Industry, ITE Journal, August 2021**
  - **Accessibility-Oriented Planning: Why and How to Make the Switch, ITER Journal, August 2021**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Dallari moved approval of the information items for acknowledgement. Commissioner Gomez-Cordero seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**XII. OTHER BUSINESS/PRESENTATIONS**

**A. Update on the ATTAIN Central Florida Project –Jeremy Dilmore, FDOT Staff**

Mr. Jeremy Dilmore, presented an update on the ATTAIN Central Florida Project. He stated that the project is a partnership of 28 local governments and regional agencies. The grant amount was \$11.9 million to bring the latest roadside technology, to enhance pedestrian safety, and to reduce congestion. Mr. Dilmore reviewed the components of the grant that have been implemented. Implementation is complete for the transit signal priority and that has resulted in improved on-time performance for LYNX buses and routes that are connected to

SunRail stations. Autonomous shuttles are will soon be in operation on the UCF campus. The adaptative traffic signal interface with positive train control is complete and currently in operation at select Seminole County intersections. Regional Integrated Corridor Management Software is in use on I-4 to optimize crash management. Transit kiosks, which will allow users to look at multiple modes of transportation, are being placed on the UCF campus and software testing and hardware installation is underway. He noted that data storage initiatives are currently being tested and on-board unit presentation is on-going. He provided the website address: [www.CFLSmartRoads.com](http://www.CFLSmartRoads.com) so that those interested can obtain the most current information.

**B. I-4 Ultimate: Status and Anticipated Completion– John Tyler, FDOT Staff**

Mr. John Tyler, Director of Operations, District 5, explained that the I-4 Ultimate project is a complete reconstruct of 21 miles of existing lanes and 15 major interchanges in Orange and Seminole Counties from Kirkman Road to S.R. 434. The project also includes Safety enhancements and the addition of four express lanes (two in each direction). Mr. Tyler used enhanced renderings to provide Board members a more detailed overview of general use lane completion, remaining work, the express lanes progress, enhanced signage, electronic tolling, outreach efforts, and incident response. He provided the website address: [www.I4Ultimate.com](http://www.I4Ultimate.com) to obtain the most current information.

**C. Brightline Update – Christine Kefauver, Brightline SVP, Corporate Development**

Ms. Christine Kefauver, provided Board members with an update on the Brightline high-speed rail operations in the MetroPlan Orlando region. She provided an overview of Brightline stations in south Florida, those include Miami Central, Fort Lauderdale, and West Palm Beach. She said that due to Covid-19, customer operations have been on hold and are anticipated to begin again in late October/early November. Ms. Kefauver noted that new stations are currently underway at Aventura and Boca Raton and noted that the station at Orlando International Airport is under construction. The extension to Tampa with a station at Disney Springs is in the developmental phase. She used a video to provide an overview of the current construction efforts. She provided the website address of: [www.gobrightline.com](http://www.gobrightline.com) so that those interested can obtain weekly construction updates.

**XIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS (GENERAL)**

None.

**XIV. NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, November 10, 2021**

**XV. ADJOURN BOARD MEETING**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m. The meeting was transcribed by Ms. Lisa Smith.

Approved this 10<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021

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Commissioner Viviana Janer, Chair

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Ms. Lisa Smith,  
Board Services Coordinator/ Recording Secretary

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**DRAFT** MetroPlan Orlando  
**2022 Board & Committee Meeting Schedule**  
250 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 200  
Orlando, FL 32801

	<b>MetroPlan Orlando Board</b>	<b>Community Advisory Committee (CAC)</b>	<b>Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)</b>	<b>TSMO***</b>	<b>TDLCB***</b>	<b>Municipal Advisory Committee (MAC)</b>
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday @ 9:00 a.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday @ 9:30 a.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Friday @ 10:00 a.m.	4 <sup>th</sup> Friday @ 8:30 a.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday Quarterly @ 10:00 a.m.	Thursday prior to the Board meeting @ 9:30 a.m.
<b>January</b>		January 26	January 28	January 28		
<b>February</b>	February 9	February 23	February 25	February 25	February 10	February 3
<b>March</b>	March 9					March 3
<b>April</b>		April 27	April 22	April 22		
<b>May</b>	May 11	May 25	May 27	May 27	May 12	May 5
<b>June</b>	June 8	June 22	June 24	June 24		June 2
<b>July</b>	July 13					July 7
<b>August</b>		August 24	August 26	August 26	August 11	
<b>September</b>	September 14					September 8
<b>October</b>		October 26	October 28	October 28		
<b>November</b>	November 9				November 10	November 3
<b>December</b>	December 14	December 7*	December 2*	December 2*		December 8

No meeting      \* Holiday Adjustment      \*\* Adjustment Due to Conflict

\*\*\* TSMO – Transportation Systems Management & Operations  
TDLCB – Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board

**METROPLAN ORLANDO  
AGENCYWIDE  
BALANCE SHEET  
For Period Ending 08/31/21**

**ASSETS**

Operating Cash in Bank	\$	1,912,577.55
Petty Cash	\$	125.00
SBA Investment Account	\$	1,122,131.42
FL CLASS Investment Account	\$	1,176,867.87
Rent Deposit	\$	20,000.00
Prepaid Expenses	\$	38,331.79
Accounts Receivable - Grants	\$	324,320.07
Fixed Assets-Equipment	\$	829,650.32
Accumulated Depreciation	\$	(499,427.38)

<b>TOTAL ASSETS:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,924,576.64</b>
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**LIABILITIES**

Accrued Personal Leave	\$	377,790.65
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>377,790.65</b>
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**EQUITY**

FUND BALANCE:

Nonspendable:

Prepaid Items	\$	38,331.79
Deposits	\$	20,000.00
Unassigned:	\$	4,488,454.20

<b>TOTAL EQUITY:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,546,785.99</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,924,576.64</b>
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Net difference to be reconciled:	\$	-
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**METROPLAN ORLANDO**  
**AGENCYWIDE REVENUES & EXPENDITURES**  
For Period Ending 08/31/21

REVENUES	Current	Y-T-D	Budget	Variance Un/(Ovr)	% OF BUDGET
Federal Revenue	\$ 205,726.63	352,906.99	\$ 6,409,266.00	6,056,359.01	5.51%
State Revenue	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 106,102.00	106,102.00	0.00%
Local Revenue	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 1,264,664.00	1,264,664.00	0.00%
Interest Income	\$ 169.99	430.41	\$ 5,000.00	4,569.59	8.61%
Other	\$ 0.00	(2.00)	\$ 12,500.00	12,502.00	-0.02%
Contributions	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 25,000.00	25,000.00	0.00%
Cash Carryforward	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 258,085.00	258,085.00	0.00%
	0.00	0.00	0.00		
<b>TOTAL REVENUES:</b>	<b>\$ 205,896.62</b>	<b>\$ 353,335.40</b>	<b>\$ 8,080,617.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,727,281.60</b>	<b>4.37%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Salaries	\$ 141,866.47	219,551.07	\$ 1,982,242.00	1,762,690.93	11.08%
Fringe Benefits	\$ 48,702.76	75,371.89	\$ 651,301.00	575,929.11	11.57%
Audit Fees	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 33,500.00	33,500.00	0.00%
Computer Operations	\$ 9,828.84	14,627.11	\$ 95,416.00	80,788.89	15.33%
Dues & Memberships	\$ 2,615.00	4,079.84	\$ 20,867.00	16,787.16	19.55%
Equipment & Furniture	\$ 2,323.78	4,647.56	\$ 50,000.00	45,352.44	9.30%
Graphic Printing/Binding	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 26,920.00	26,920.00	0.00%
Insurance	\$ 1,640.09	3,280.18	\$ 29,023.00	25,742.82	11.30%
Legal Fees	\$ 1,435.67	1,435.67	\$ 50,000.00	48,564.33	2.87%
Office Supplies	\$ 622.51	1,750.59	\$ 37,500.00	35,749.41	4.67%
Postage	\$ 278.27	355.02	\$ 4,300.00	3,944.98	8.26%
Books, Subscrips/Pubs	\$ 114.96	5,162.96	\$ 8,716.00	3,553.04	59.24%
Exec. Dir 457 Def. Comp.	\$ 1,307.70	2,615.40	\$ 22,000.00	19,384.60	11.89%
Rent	\$ 27,517.24	55,753.83	\$ 324,883.00	269,129.17	17.16%
Equipment Rent/Maint.	\$ 1,074.89	13,518.35	\$ 19,874.00	6,355.65	68.02%
Seminar & Conf. Regist.	\$ 3,645.00	3,645.00	\$ 41,640.00	37,995.00	8.75%
Telephone	\$ 518.29	518.29	\$ 9,250.00	8,731.71	5.60%
Travel	\$ 2,080.49	2,569.29	\$ 100,792.00	98,222.71	2.55%
Small Tools/Office Mach.	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00%
HSA/FSA Annual Contrib.	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 12,500.00	12,500.00	0.00%
Computer Software	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00%
Contingency	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00%
Contractual/Temp Svcs.	\$ 0.00	864.00	\$ 3,530.00	2,666.00	24.48%
Pass-Thru Expenses	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 830,000.00	830,000.00	0.00%
Consultants	\$ 62,825.46	128,325.46	\$ 3,516,953.00	3,388,627.54	3.65%
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00%
Advertising/Public Notice	\$ 638.87	638.87	\$ 11,670.00	11,031.13	5.47%
Other Misc. Expense	\$ 987.06	1,312.31	\$ 14,690.00	13,377.69	8.93%
Contributions	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 100,950.00	100,950.00	0.00%
Educational Reimb.	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00%
Comm. Rels. Sponsors	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 10,500.00	10,500.00	0.00%
Indirect Expense Carryfwd.	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	-	0.00%
			0.00		
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b>	<b>\$ 310,023.35</b>	<b>\$ 540,022.69</b>	<b>\$ 8,080,617.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,540,594.31</b>	<b>6.68%</b>
<b>AGENCY BALANCE:</b>	<b>\$ (104,126.73)</b>	<b>\$ (186,687.29)</b>			



**METROPLAN ORLANDO  
AGENCYWIDE  
BALANCE SHEET  
For Period Ending 09/30/21**

**ASSETS**

Operating Cash in Bank	\$	1,818,671.82
Petty Cash	\$	125.00
SBA Investment Account	\$	1,122,212.69
FL CLASS Investment Account	\$	1,176,932.57
Rent Deposit	\$	20,000.00
Prepaid Expenses	\$	11,901.31
Accounts Receivable - Grants	\$	613,016.66
Fixed Assets-Equipment	\$	829,650.32
Accumulated Depreciation	\$	(499,427.38)

<b>TOTAL ASSETS:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,093,082.99</b>
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**LIABILITIES**

Accrued Personal Leave	\$	390,562.54
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>390,562.54</b>
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**EQUITY**

FUND BALANCE:

Nonspendable:

Prepaid Items	\$	11,901.31
Deposits	\$	20,000.00
Unassigned:	\$	4,670,619.14

<b>TOTAL EQUITY:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,702,520.45</b>
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<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,093,082.99</b>
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Net difference to be reconciled:	\$	-
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**METROPLAN ORLANDO**  
**AGENCYWIDE REVENUES & EXPENDITURES**  
For Period Ending 09/30/21

REVENUES	Current	Y-T-D	Budget	Variance Un/(Ovr)	% OF BUDGET
Federal Revenue	\$ 387,130.65	740,037.64	\$ 6,628,516.00	5,888,478.36	11.16%
State Revenue	\$ 20,159.38	20,159.38	\$ 107,066.00	86,906.62	18.83%
Local Revenue	\$ 191,901.50	191,901.50	\$ 1,264,664.00	1,072,762.50	15.17%
Interest Income	\$ 145.97	576.38	\$ 5,000.00	4,423.62	11.53%
Other	\$ 0.00	(2.00)	\$ 12,500.00	12,502.00	-0.02%
Contributions	\$ 20,000.00	20,000.00	\$ 25,000.00	5,000.00	80.00%
Cash Carryforward	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 235,412.00	235,412.00	0.00%
Local Funds Transfer	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 964.00	964.00	0.00%
<b>TOTAL REVENUES:</b>	<b>\$ 619,337.50</b>	<b>\$ 972,672.90</b>	<b>\$ 8,279,122.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,306,449.10</b>	<b>11.75%</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>					
Salaries	\$ 153,927.37	373,478.44	\$ 1,982,242.00	1,608,763.56	18.84%
Fringe Benefits	\$ 46,494.14	121,866.03	\$ 651,301.00	529,434.97	18.71%
Local Match-Transfer Out	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 964.00	964.00	0.00%
Audit Fees	\$ 19,000.00	19,000.00	\$ 33,500.00	14,500.00	56.72%
Computer Operations	\$ 6,083.79	20,710.90	\$ 95,416.00	74,705.10	21.71%
Dues & Memberships	\$ 219.00	4,298.84	\$ 20,867.00	16,568.16	20.60%
Equipment & Furniture	\$ 0.00	4,647.56	\$ 50,000.00	45,352.44	9.30%
Graphic Printing/Binding	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 26,920.00	26,920.00	0.00%
Insurance	\$ 2,115.08	5,395.26	\$ 29,023.00	23,627.74	18.59%
Legal Fees	\$ 2,048.76	3,484.43	\$ 50,000.00	46,515.57	6.97%
Office Supplies	\$ 747.79	2,498.38	\$ 37,500.00	35,001.62	6.66%
Postage	\$ 296.73	651.75	\$ 4,300.00	3,648.25	15.16%
Books, Subscrips/Pubs	\$ 58.96	5,221.92	\$ 8,716.00	3,494.08	59.91%
Exec. Dir 457 Def. Comp.	\$ 1,500.00	4,115.40	\$ 22,000.00	17,884.60	18.71%
Rent	\$ 26,717.24	82,471.07	\$ 324,883.00	242,411.93	25.38%
Equipment Rent/Maint.	\$ 785.00	14,303.35	\$ 19,874.00	5,570.65	71.97%
Seminar & Conf. Regist.	\$ 1,929.00	5,574.00	\$ 41,640.00	36,066.00	13.39%
Telephone	\$ 526.90	1,045.19	\$ 9,250.00	8,204.81	11.30%
Travel	\$ 614.49	3,183.78	\$ 99,828.00	96,644.22	3.19%
Small Tools/Office Mach.	\$ 768.20	768.20	\$ 3,000.00	2,231.80	25.61%
HSA/FSA Annual Contrib.	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 12,500.00	12,500.00	0.00%
Computer Software	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00%
Contingency	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00%
Contractual/Temp Svcs.	\$ 232.00	1,096.00	\$ 3,530.00	2,434.00	31.05%
Pass-Thru Expenses	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 1,034,442.00	1,034,442.00	0.00%
Consultants	\$ 97,899.92	226,225.38	\$ 3,511,016.00	3,284,790.62	6.44%
Repair & Maintenance	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00%
Advertising/Public Notice	\$ 956.48	1,595.35	\$ 11,670.00	10,074.65	13.67%
Other Misc. Expense	\$ 376.06	1,688.37	\$ 14,690.00	13,001.63	11.49%
Contributions	\$ 100,000.00	100,000.00	\$ 100,950.00	950.00	99.06%
Educational Reimb.	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00%
Comm. Rels. Sponsors	\$ 1,000.00	1,000.00	\$ 10,500.00	9,500.00	9.52%
Indirect Expense Carryfwd.	\$ 0.00	0.00	\$ 0.00	-	0.00%
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b>	<b>\$ 464,296.91</b>	<b>\$ 1,004,319.60</b>	<b>\$ 8,279,122.00</b>	<b>\$ 7,274,802.40</b>	<b>12.13%</b>
<b>AGENCY BALANCE:</b>	<b>\$ 155,040.59</b>	<b>\$ (31,646.70)</b>			



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## Travel Summary - September 2021

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Traveler:	Commissioner Mayra Uribe
Dates:	September 2-3, 2021
Destination:	Miami, FL
Purpose of trip:	FAPA Conference
Cost:	\$482.53
Paid By:	MetroPlan Orlando Funds

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## **Board Action Fact Sheet**

**Meeting Date:** November 10, 2021  
**Agenda Item:** IX.D. (Tab 1)  
**Roll Call Vote:** No

**Action Requested:** Approval of FY'22 Budget Amendment #3

**Reason:** This budget amendment reallocates local funds to provide a match to USF's CUTR for the NICR grant entitled "Feasibility of Regional Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) Program." This amendment also provides funds for a FY'21 consultant project that was paid in FY'22.

**Summary/Key Information:** MetroPlan Orlando committed to match a CUTR grant application for regional TSMO. This grant was awarded in September and this budget amendment provides funds for that project.

**MetroPlan Budget Impact:** None

**Local Funding Impact:** None

**Committee Action:** CAC: N/A  
TSMO: N/A  
TAC: N/A  
MAC: N/A

**Staff Recommendation:** Recommends approval

**Supporting Information:** The budget amendment document and updated agencywide budget are available under tab 1.

## FINANCE USE ONLY:

Approved Bd Mtg: 11/10/2021  
 Agenda Item #: VIII.F

Entered:

FY 2022

B E No. : 3  
 FDOT No. : M10

## REQUEST FOR UPWP BUDGET AMENDMENT

DATE: 10/20/2021

(WHOLE DOLLARS ONLY)

AMOUNT

PROJECT	ELEMENT	UPWP TASK	CODE	DESCRIPTION	REVENUES	EXPENDITURES
37022	722330	330	64400	Contributions		50,000
37022	722100	100	62500	Contingency		(33,361)
37022	722100	100	61900	Travel		(15,000)
37022	722100	100	61000	Legal Fees		(10,000)
37022	722320	320	63000	Consultants		8,361
		0				
		0				
		0				
		0				
		0				
		0				
		0				
		0				
Total					0	0

## REASON(S):

1) To add local consultant funds for a FY'21 project billed after year end; 2) To account for the \$50,000 match contribution for work with CUTR on their NICR grant entitled "Feasibility of Regional Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) Program"

Finance Director's Signature:

Jason S. Loschiavo

Date:

Executive Director's Signature:

Gary D. Huttman

Date:

REMARKS:

**METROPLAN ORLANDO**  
**AGENCYWIDE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE LINE ITEM BUDGET**  
**FY 2021/2022**

<b>REVENUES</b>		BE2	BE3	Change
<b>ACCOUNT</b>		<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	
<b>CODE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>			
40000	<b>FEDERAL REVENUES</b>			
	FHWA PL Planning Funds	\$ 1,828,177	\$ 1,828,177	\$ -
	NEW FTA Sec 5305d Planning Funds X016	927,338	927,338	-
	Carryfwd from FTA X015	799,816	799,816	-
	Carryfwd from FTA X014	7,716	7,716	-
	SU (NEW) TSR & TSMO Position	2,198,430	2,198,430	-
	SU Carryfwd from FY'21	664,795	664,795	-
	STIC Grant FHWA FY'21	43,191	43,191	-
	DOT - CPED Grant FY'21	159,053	159,053	-
	<b>TOTAL FEDERAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 6,628,516</b>	<b>\$ 6,628,516</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
41000	<b>STATE REVENUES</b>			
	NEW FTA Sec 5305d Planning Funds X016	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Carryfwd from FTA X015	-	-	-
	Carryfwd from FTA X014	964	964	-
	Transportation Disadvantaged Planning Funds NEW	106,102	106,102	-
	<b>TOTAL STATE REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 107,066</b>	<b>\$ 107,066</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
	<b>LOCAL REVENUES</b>			
42900	Orange Co. Assessment	\$ 531,343	\$ 531,343	\$ -
43000	Osceola Co. Assessment	155,706	155,706	-
43100	Seminole Co. Assessment	184,816	184,816	-
43200	Altamonte Springs Assessment	22,652	22,652	-
43300	Kissimmee Assessment	37,822	37,822	-
43400	Orlando Assessment	149,613	149,613	-
43500	Sanford Assessment	30,896	30,896	-
44300	Apopka Assessment	26,816	26,816	-
43700	CFX	25,000	25,000	-
43800	Sanford Airport Authority	25,000	25,000	-
43900	GOAA	25,000	25,000	-
44000	LYNX	25,000	25,000	-
44100	Belle Isle	508	508	-
44110	Eatonville	162	162	-
44120	Edgewood	192	192	-
44130	Maitland	1,453	1,453	-
44140	Oakland	262	262	-
44150	Ocoee	3,426	3,426	-
44160	Windermere	208	208	-
44170	Winter Garden	3,337	3,337	-
44180	Winter Park	2,109	2,109	-
44190	St. Cloud	3,504	3,504	-
44200	Casselberry	2,089	2,089	-
44210	Lake Mary	1,214	1,214	-
44220	Longwood	1,104	1,104	-
44230	Oviedo	2,764	2,764	-
44240	Winter Springs	2,668	2,668	-
	<b>TOTAL LOCAL ASSESSMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 1,264,664</b>	<b>\$ 1,264,664</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
	<b>OTHER REVENUES</b>			
45000	Interest Income	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -
47000	Reimbursement of Claims & Expenses	12,500	12,500	-
48900	Other Grant/Contribution Income (MPO Alliance)	25,000	25,000	-
49700	Cash Carryforward	235,412	235,412	-
	<b>TOTAL LOCAL REVENUES (ASSESSMENTS + OTHER)</b>	<b>\$ 1,542,576</b>	<b>\$ 1,542,576</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**METROPLAN ORLANDO**  
**AGENCYWIDE REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE LINE ITEM BUDGET**  
**FY 2021/2022**

49800	Local Match Transfer Out for New FTA X016	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
49800	Local Match Transfer Out for Rollover FTA X015		-		-		-
49800	Local Match Transfer Out for Rollover FTA X014		964		964		-
<b>TOTAL LOCAL MATCH</b>		\$	964	\$	964	\$	-
<b>TOTAL REVENUES:</b>		\$	8,279,122	\$	8,279,122	\$	-

**EXPENDITURES**

**ACCOUNT**

<b>CODE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>						
50000	Salaries, Leave & Car Allow.	\$	1,982,242	\$	1,982,242	\$	-
50600	Fringe - FICA Employer		136,722		136,722		-
50700	Fringe - Unemployment Ins		10,000		10,000		-
50800	Fringe - Health Insurance Emplr.		292,520		292,520		-
50900	Fringe - Dental Insurance Emplr.		5,927		5,927		-
51000	Fringe - Life Insurance Emplr.		1,321		1,321		-
51100	Fringe - Long-Term Disability		2,401		2,401		-
51200	Fringe - Workers Comp Ins.		4,200		4,200		-
51300	Fringe Pension Fund ICMA 401		196,724		196,724		-
51500	Fringe - VisionCare Insurance		1,486		1,486		-
51600	Fringe - Short-Term Disability		0		0		-
51700	Fringe - Grant Carry Forward		0		0		-
59800	Local Match Transfer Out		964		964		-
60400	Audit Fees		33,500		33,500		-
60500	I-Computer Operations		95,416		95,416		-
60600	Dues and Memberships		20,867		20,867		-
60700	Equipment		50,000		50,000		-
60800	Graphic Printing & Binding		26,920		26,920		-
60900	Insurance		29,023		29,023		-
61000	Legal Fees		50,000		40,000		(10,000)
61100	Office Supplies		37,500		37,500		-
61200	Postage		4,300		4,300		-
61300	Books, Subscrips & Pubs		8,716		8,716		-
61400	Deferred Comp 457 Ex Dir		22,000		22,000		-
61500	I- Rent		324,883		324,883		-
61600	I-Equipment Rent & Maintenance		19,874		19,874		-
61700	Seminars & Conf. Registration		41,640		41,640		-
61800	I - Telephone		9,250		9,250		-
61900	Travel Expenses		99,828		84,828		(15,000)
62000	Small Tools/Office Machinery		3,000		3,000		-
62100	HSA Employer Contribution		12,500		12,500		-
62200	Computer Software		15,000		15,000		-
62500	Contingency		50,000		16,639		(33,361)
62600	Contractual/Temporary Services		3,530		3,530		-
62700	Interest Expense		0		0		-
62900	Pass-Through Expenses		1,034,442		1,034,442		-
63000	Consultants		3,511,016		3,519,377		8,361
63100	Repair & Maintenance		1,800		1,800		-
63400	Advertising/Public Notice		11,670		11,670		-
64100	Other Miscellaneous Expense		6,690		6,690		-
64300	Awards & Promotional Expense		8,000		8,000		-
64400	Contributions		100,950		150,950		50,000
64500	Educational Reimbursement		1,800		1,800		-
64600	Comm. Relations Sponsorships		10,500		10,500		-
64700	Grant Carry Forward - Indirect		0		0		-
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b>		\$	8,279,122	\$	8,279,122	\$	-



## **Board Action Fact Sheet**

**Meeting Date:** November 10, 2021  
**Agenda Item:** IX.E. (Tab 1)  
**Roll Call Vote:** No

**Action Requested:** Approval and Acceptance of the Annual Financial Report and Audit

**Reason:** The annual financial report and audit must be approved and accepted by the MetroPlan Orlando Board annually.

**Summary/Key Information:** There were no management findings in the report. MetroPlan Orlando received a clean audit report and ended the fiscal year in good financial condition with an unrestricted net position of \$4,409,167.

**MetroPlan Budget Impact:** None

**Local Funding Impact:** None

**Committee Action:**  
CAC: N/A  
TSMO: N/A  
TAC: N/A  
MAC: N/A

**Staff Recommendation:** Recommends approval

**Supporting Information:** The full financial report is available at  
<https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/MetroPlan-Orlando-FY2021-Annual-Financial-Report-FINAL-1.pdf>

Required final communication from the auditors is available under tab 1.





## **Board Action Fact Sheet**

**Meeting Date:** November 10, 2021  
**Agenda Item:** IX.F. (Tab 1)  
**Roll Call Vote:** No

**Action Requested:** Approval of General Planning Consultant (GPC) Contract Awards

**Reason:** To provide GPC support for the next two years

**Summary/Key Information:** Approval is requested to award contracts to Fehr & Peers and Kimley-Horn, pending contract negotiations, to be MetroPlan Orlando's General Planning Consultants. The contracts will be two-year contracts with an option to renew for one additional year. Funds are currently budgeted in FY 2022 for consulting work that will be completed by the GPCs.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) was advertised in August 2021 and a selection committee consisting of five MetroPlan Orlando staff members met and ranked the eight proposals received to short-list to four. A second meeting was where the four short-listed proposers answered questions provided by the committee and a second scoring was conducted based on those questions. The combined scores were used to rank the four proposers. Should negotiations fail with the two highest ranked proposers, approval is requested to negotiate with the third and fourth ranked proposers.

The ranking of the short-listed proposers was as follows.

1. Fehr & Peers
2. Kimley Horn
3. VHB
4. WSP USA

**MetroPlan Budget Impact:** None

**Local Funding Impact:** None

**Committee Action:** CAC: N/A  
TSMO: N/A  
TAC: N/A  
MAC: N/A

**Staff Recommendation:** Recommends approval

**Supporting Information:** None

**TAB 2**





## **Board Action Fact Sheet**

**Meeting Date:** November 10, 2021

**Agenda Item:** XI.A (Tab 2)

**Roll Call Vote:** Yes

**Action Requested:**

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) requests approval of amendments to the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

**Reason:**

FDOT is advancing interim elements of the I-4 “Beyond the Ultimate” project. The currently adopted 2045 MTP and Cost Feasible Plan identifies these projects by reference and includes the Ultimate Configuration of I-4 with General Use and Managed Lanes throughout Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties as documented in FDOT’s Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) Cost Feasible and Needs Plans.

As described in the letter found in the Supporting Information, FDOT has determined the projects listed below are consistent with the SIS Cost Feasible Plan. To ensure planning consistency, Table 6 (Interstate Highway/Strategic Intermodal System) of the 2045 MTP’s Cost Feasible Plan will be amended to include the new reasonably available revenue and associated project listing.

**Summary/Key Information:**

Requested amendments to be made exclusively to Table 6 found in the *Cost Feasible Plan* documentation of the adopted 2045 MTP. Items of particular significance for Committees and the Board are as follows:

- New reasonably available revenue/funds to be added to Table 6.
- Project phases to be advanced in Plan Period 1 to support FDOT’s interim improvements along I-4.
  - I-4 from Osceola Pkwy to SR 528, Ultimate Configuration for General Use and Managed Lanes.
- New fully-funded project to be included in Plan Period 1.
  - I-4 at Sand Lake Road, Interchange Conversion to Diverging Diamond Interchange with New WB Buffer Separated Express Lanes from E. of SR 528 to W. of SR 536.

**MetroPlan Budget Impact:**

None

**Local Funding Impact:**

None

**Committee Action:**

CAC: Recommended Approval on 10/27/21.  
 TSMO: Recommended Approval on 10/22/21.  
 TAC: Recommended Approval on 10/22/21.  
 MAC: to be determined

**Staff Recommendation:**

Recommends Approval.

**Supporting Information:**

The following documents are provided at Board Agenda Tab 2:

- 1) FDOT Planning Consistency Determination, dated 10/14/21.
- 2) Public Comments on 2045 MTP Amendment, dated 10/27/21.



*Florida Department of Transportation*

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SECRETARY

October 14, 2021

Mr. Nick Lepp, AICP, CTP  
Director of Transportation Planning  
**MetroPlan Orlando**  
250 South Orange Avenue ♦ Suite 200  
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DELIVERED ELECTRONICALLY TO: [NLEPP@METROPLANORLANDO.ORG](mailto:NLEPP@METROPLANORLANDO.ORG)

**Re: ARPA Planning Consistency for Projects FPID #444315-1 and FPID #441113-3**

Dear Mr. Lepp:

The Florida Department of Transportation, Office of Policy Planning has completed planning consistency reviews for the **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021** projects. ARPA provides funding to the State of Florida from the US Treasury to provide immediate relief from revenue reductions and the continued economic impacts on individuals and businesses. ARPA directs US Treasury funds to Florida's State Highway System, seaports, airports, and transit programs. Documentation of Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) cost feasibility may be provided to avoid the need for a Modification or Amendment.

The SIS is Florida's high priority transportation network and facilities important to the state's economy and mobility. The Governor and Legislature established the SIS in 2003 to focus the state's limited transportation resources on the facilities most significant for interregional, interstate, and international travel. The SIS is the state's highest priority for transportation capacity investments and a primary focus for implementing the Florida Transportation Plan (FTP), the state's long-range transportation vision and policy plan.

We have determined that FPID #444315-1 - Interstate 4/SR 400 at Sand Lake Road Interchange from east of SR 528 to west of SR 435 is consistent with the SIS CFP. This interchange was included in the original I-4 Beyond the Ultimate project. As such, the Department has concluded that the Sand Lake Road Interchange project ultimate configuration meets the planning consistency requirement. This section of the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate is included in plan period #1 (2026 – 2030) and is consistent with the SIS.

Mr. Nick Lepp, AICP, CTP  
October 14, 2021  
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We have determined that FPID #441113-3 - Interstate 4/SR 400 at Daryl Carter Parkway Interchange is consistent with the SIS CFP. This project will convert the Daryl Carter Parkway overpass into an interchange and was included in the original I-4 Beyond the Ultimate project. As such, the Department has concluded that the Daryl Carter Parkway Interchange project ultimate configuration meets the planning consistency requirement. This section of I-4 from Osceola Parkway to the Beachline (State Road 528) has been advanced from plan period #3 (2036 -2045) to plan period #1 (2026 – 2030) and is consistent with the SIS.

If the Department can be of further assistance in providing additional information, please contact me at [Abra.Horne@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Abra.Horne@dot.state.fl.us) or 850-414-4901.

Sincerely,



Abra Horne, Metropolitan Planning Administrator  
Florida Department of Transportation

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Gerald Goosby, SIS Planning Manager, FDOT  
Jennifer King, Senior Transportation Planner and SIS Contract Manager



## Public Comments on 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment (as of 10/27/21)

**Public Comment Period:**  
**October 15 – November 8, 2021**

This document serves as the official record of public comments for the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) amendment presented to the MetroPlan Orlando Board on November 10, 2021.

Comments were accepted in various ways:

1. Written comment via email to [MTP@metroplanorlando.org](mailto:MTP@metroplanorlando.org)
2. Spoken comments will also be taken at the 11/10/21 Board meeting, where comments can be made virtually or in person



### Amendment Fact Sheet

The link below contains details of the proposed revisions to the 2045 Plan, which includes advancing some interim elements of the I-4 Beyond the Ultimate project with stimulus funds:

[https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/Board-Action-Fact-Sheet\\_MTP\\_PlanRevisions\\_SandLakeRdX\\_OctNov2021.pdf](https://metroplanorlando.org/wp-content/uploads/Board-Action-Fact-Sheet_MTP_PlanRevisions_SandLakeRdX_OctNov2021.pdf)

### Record of Public Comments

Written comments are included below as received. *Note: This document contains comments received as of the assembling of the MetroPlan Orlando Board agenda packet on 10/27/21. Any additional comments will be provided to board members at the 11/10/21 meeting.*

Comment#:	Name:	Date Received:	Comment Method:
1	Jesse Stokes	10/21/2021	Email

Hello,

I am writing to send in my objection to the 2045 Metropolitan Plan using American Rescue funds to further damage the environment by adding more asphalt for lanes, and parking around Sunrail stations.

For transportation like Sunrail to work, you need people living near the depots - not parking there. There is adamant parking already, and adding more will only take up more space that could be used for housing. Imagine Sunrail having thousands of easy customers right at their train depots! Increased car usage and building of impermeable concrete parking lots will only create further environmental damage to our already delicate planet.

Cities are made for people, and already I-4 has literally divided our city and destroyed the homes of thousands. I-4 can become a safer, easier road to travel if less people have to use it for work. If they can depend on buses, bikes, and rail, everyone has a more stress-free commute and we can become the true city of the future. As more people move into Central Florida, I-4 will only get busy again unless we provide alternatives.

Please use the rescue plan to actually rescue Central Floridians.

Thank you,

Comment#:	Name:	Date Received:	Comment Method:
2	Eithne Clark	10/21/2021	Email

Long, long overdue that we have high speed rail in Orlando and throughout Central Florida. Expanding I-4 is a Neanderthal approach to what is a modern problem. As someone who has lived-in high-density cities (Dublin, Ireland, Brussels, Belgium, New York City, Wash DC)

I know the importance of having high speed rail.

Eithne Clarke  
5409 Shingle Creek Drive  
Orlando, FL 32821  
(407) 370-6738

**TAB 3**







## **Board Action Fact Sheet**

**Meeting Date:** November 10, 2021

**Agenda Item:** XI.B (Tab 3)

**Roll Call Vote:** Yes

**Action Requested:** FDOT requests approval of an amendment to the FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

**Reason:** The amendment includes two new projects and adding funds to an existing project with funding programmed in FY 2021/22.

**Summary/Key Information:** Items of particular significance for our Committees and the Board are as follows:

- The amendment includes \$3,480,000 in federal construction funding in FY 2021/22 to advance the drainage work for the interchange improvement at I-4 and Daryl Carter Parkway currently programmed for construction in the TIP.
- The amendment provides \$1,751,924 in additional federal funding for design in FY 2021/22 to convert the interchange at I-4 and Sand Lake Road to a Diverging Diamond Interchange and add a single buffer separated express lane from west of SR 528 to west of Kirkman Road. Additional funding for the construction of this project is already programmed in the TIP.
- The project to construct a single buffer separated express lane on westbound I-4 from west of Central Florida Parkway to west of SR 528 has \$3,052,195 in federal funds programmed for construction in FY 2021/22. Additional phases of this project are funded as part of the I-4/Sand Lake Road interchange project described in the paragraph above.

**MetroPlan Budget Impact:** None

**Local Funding Impact:** None

**Committee Action:**

TSMO: Recommended for approval on October 22, 2021  
TAC: Recommended for approval on October 22, 2021  
CAC: Recommended for approval on October 27, 2021  
MAC: To be taken up on November 4, 2021

**Staff Recommendation:** Recommends approval

**Supporting Information:** These documents are provided at Tab 3:

- FDOT letter dated October 15, 2021
- Proposed Board Resolution No. 21-13



*Florida Department of Transportation*

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KEVIN J. THIBAUT, P.E.  
SECRETARY

October 15, 2021

Mr. Gary Huttman, Executive Director  
MetroPlan Orlando  
250 South Orange Ave., Suite 200  
Orlando, FL 32801

Dear Mr. Huttman:

**RE: Request to Amend Adopted Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Fiscal Years (FY) 2021/22 – 2025/26**

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) requests MetroPlan amend the Adopted TIP for Fiscal Years (FY) 2021/22–2025/26. The projects requiring an amendment are listed below with an explanation of the changes to the project. Please make sure that the amendment date is reflected on the cover page of the adopted TIP document and the amended information is reflected on page for the project.

**ORANGE COUNTY**

**1. FM#441113-3 I-4 (SR 400) at DARYL CARTER PARKWAY INTERCHANGE  
EARLY WORK**

**Current TIP status:** Project is not listed in TIP.

**Proposed Amendment:**

Phase	Amended Funding Type	Amount	Fiscal Year
Construction	ACNP	\$3,000,000	2022
Construction	SA	\$150,000	2022
Construction/CEI	ACNP	\$300,000	2022
Construction/Post Design	ACNP	\$30,000	2022
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,480,000</b>	

**Difference:** New Construction (Phase 52/61/62) funds added in FY 2021/22. TIP must be updated to reflect new phases and added funding.

**Explanation:** New Interchange early work split out from 441113-1. This project will advance drainage work for the new Daryl Carter Parkway Interchange scheduled for construction and will include the Big Sandlake outfall improvements designed by Orange County.

**2. FM#444315-1 I-4 (SR 400) AT SAND LAKE RD INTERCHANGE FROM W OF SR 528 TO W OF SR 435**

**Current TIP status:** Project is in TIP for different funding amount.

**Proposed Amendment:**

Phase	Amended Funding Type	Amount	Fiscal Year
	DS		
Preliminary Engineering	ACNP	\$437,981	2022
Preliminary Engineering	ACNP	\$437,981	2022
Preliminary Engineering	ACNP	\$437,981	2022
Preliminary Engineering	ACNP	\$437,981	2022
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,751,924</b>	

**Difference:** New design phase (Phase 32) funds added in FY 2021/22. TIP must be updated to reflect new phase and added funding

**Explanation:** This project will convert the Sand Lake Road and I-4 interchange into a diverging diamond interchange. The Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) is a type of interchange in which the two directions of traffic at an interchange cross to the opposite side of the road on both sides of the bridge. A DDI eliminates several traffic conflict points by moving drivers to the side of the road where they can turn left without having to cross in front of oncoming traffic. These improvements will help to accommodate future projected traffic demand and improve driver safety and efficiency. In addition, improvements to I-4 will also be included with this project. The project will include two express lanes in the westbound direction connecting to the I-4 Ultimate express lanes. These two express lanes will merge into a single buffer separated express lane west of the Sand Lake and I-4 interchange.

**Project Funding Overview:**

444315-1 (goes with 444315-3) (Design-Build)	Funding FY	Amount Programmed
<b>Sand Lake Rd Interchange</b>		
Utilities (Phase 36)	2022	\$1,050,000
Utilities (Phase 56)	2022	\$11,670,002
Construction -Interchange (-52-01)	2022	\$186,860,809
Stipends (4)	2022	\$0
CEI	2022	\$11,120,000
Post Design	2022	\$3,078,000
Construction Bonus	2024	\$2,000,000
Monumentation	2025	\$264,000
Subtotal		<b>\$216,042,811</b>

**3. FM#444315-3 I-4 (SR 400) FROM WEST OF CENTRAL FL PKWY TO WEST OF SR 528**

**Current TIP status:** Project is not listed in TIP.

**Proposed Amendment:**


Phase	Amended Funding Type	Amount	Fiscal Year
Construction	GFNP	\$3,052,195	2022
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,052,195</b>	

**Difference:** New phase (Phase 52) funds added in FY 2021/22. TIP must be updated to reflect new phase and added funding.

**Explanation:** The additional funds add a single buffer separated express lane in the west bound direction from just west of Central FL Pkwy to west of SR 528 which will connect to the single express lane being constructed with FPID 444315-1. The other phases of the project, such as utility relocation, design and CEI funds all fall under FPID 444315-1.

Sincerely,

Sent on behalf of: Anna Taylor  
Government Liaison Administrator  
FDOT District Five

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Signature: Tyler Burgett, FDOT Liaison

10/15/2021 | 10:41 AM EDT

Date

**Resolution No. 21-13**

**Subject:**

**Amendment to the FY 2021/22 - 2025/26  
Transportation Improvement Program**

**WHEREAS**, the Orlando Urbanized Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), d.b.a. MetroPlan Orlando, is the duly designated and constituted body responsible for carrying out the urban transportation planning and programming process for the Orlando Urbanized Area, including the Transportation Improvement Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is requesting to amend the FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) in accordance with the MetroPlan Orlando Internal Operating Procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, the requested amendments are described as follows:

***Orange County***

- FM #4411133 – I-4 at Daryl Carter Parkway – Early Drainage Work - Funding consists of \$3,330,000 in ACNP funds and \$150,000 in SA funds for construction in FY 2021/22;
- FM #4443151 – I-4 Interchange at Sand Lake Road from west of SR 528 to west of Kirkman Road – Diverging Diamond Interchange/Add Express Lane - Funding consists of \$1,751,924 in ACNP funds for design in FY 2021/22;
- FM #4443153 – I-4 from west of Central Florida Parkway to west of SR 528 – Add Express Lane - Funding consists of \$3,052,195 in GFNP funds for construction in FY 2021/22; and

**WHEREAS**, the requested amendments described above are consistent with MetroPlan Orlando's project priorities and currently adopted Long Range Transportation Plan.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the MetroPlan Orlando Board that the Florida Department of Transportation's amendment to the FY 2021/22 - 2025/26 TIP be approved as requested.

Passed and duly adopted at a regular meeting of the MetroPlan Orlando Board on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2021.

**Certificate**

The undersigned duly qualified as Chairman of the MetroPlan Orlando Board certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the MetroPlan Orlando Board.

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Honorable Viviana Janer, Chairwoman

Attest:

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Lisa Smith, Sr. Board Services Coordinator  
and Recording Secretary

**TAB 4**





## **Board Action Fact Sheet**

**Meeting Date:** November 10, 2021  
**Agenda Item:** XI.C (Tab 4)  
**Roll Call Vote:** No

**Action Requested:** Approval of 2022 State Legislative Priorities and Positions

**Reason:** Provides direction to staff and our legislative consultants (Peebles, Smith and Matthews, P.A.) on our top priorities, items that are to be supported and items that are to be monitored during the 2022 legislative session. Also allows us to work with members of our legislative delegation, affiliated organizations, and business partners on topics of mutual interest.

**Summary/Key Information:** Staff briefed the Board's Executive Committee members individually and received feedback on the proposed 2022 legislative priorities and positions. MetroPlan Orlando's Committees were briefed during their October/November meetings.

The Board will be asked to adopt the proposed legislative issues and authorize the Board's Executive Committee to address legislative issues that may arise in between board meetings, during the legislative session.

**MetroPlan Budget Impact:** None

**Local Funding Impact:** None

**Committee Action:** CAC: Previewed October 27, 2021  
TSMO: Previewed October 22, 2021  
TAC: Previewed October 22, 2021  
MAC: Will preview November 4, 2021

**Staff Recommendation:** Recommends approval

**Supporting Information:** Draft 2022 Legislative Positions and Priorities



## 2022 Legislative Priorities and Positions

DRAFT AS OF 10/20/2021

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### Top priorities:

- Increased funding for transportation that does not negatively impact the State Transportation Trust Fund
- Increased Transportation Disadvantaged funding for paratransit service (ACCESS LYNX)
- Change existing laws to include bicyclists as vulnerable road users (cyclists) in current Move Over Law (316.126 F.S.)

### We support legislation that:

- Increases transportation investment through dedicated and sustainable funding, including innovative financing options; encourages partnerships between public and private entities; and facilitates the expedited delivery of projects. This includes legislation which:
  - Establishes flexible and predictable funding for transit projects (capital and operating) identified through the metropolitan transportation planning process by removing various funding limitations for the State Transportation Trust Fund (STTF).
  - Provides flexibility in the use of local option discretionary taxes such as Charter County & Regional Transportation System Surtax, and the Local Government Infrastructure Surtax.
  - Funds the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) at a predictable level of \$250 Million per year.
  - Does not reduce local option transportation revenue sources.
- Supports the advancement of innovative transportation mobility solutions and policies that make Florida the national leader in creative approaches to addressing transportation needs, including Autonomous, Connected, Electric, and Shared vehicle technology.
- Adds provisions to Florida's Sunshine law that allows public meetings to be conducted virtually during a declared state of emergency.

### Monitor legislation that:

- Regulates distracted driving by prohibiting the use of handheld two-way electronic wireless communications devices and other similar distracting handheld devices while operating a motor vehicle on any roadway. (Monitor and support, if needed)

- Seeks to alter, revise, or rescind Red Light Camera legislation (Monitor and oppose, if needed)
- Seeks to mandate changes to mid-block crossing designations. (Monitor)
- Seeks to diminish the role of Regional Planning Councils (Monitor and oppose, if needed)

**Executive Agency Action Item(s):**

- Staff to work with DFS and FDOT to resolve concerns with the state practice that recognizes federal metropolitan transportation planning funds as state funds for purposes of expenditure.
- Staff and FDOT (Central Office and District 5) to work cooperatively to integrate projects into the region using federal stimulus funding.

**Board Action Requested:**

Approval of the 2022 Legislative Priorities and Positions and authorization for the Executive Committee to respond to issues that may arise in between board meetings, during the session.

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**Contact(s):**

Gary Huttman, Executive Director, (407) 481-5672 x319

Virginia L. Whittington, Director of Regional Partnerships, (407) 497-1536

**TAB 5**





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A REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PARTNERSHIP

November 10, 2021

To: Commissioner Viviana Janer, Board Chairwoman  
MetroPlan Orlando Board Members

From: Gary Huttman, Executive Director

Subject: Executive Director's Report

- I continue to participate in the bi-weekly team calls with the Brightline staff
- I met with the Lynx CEO on September 9 to discuss changes in invoicing procedures
- I participated in the Brightline Phase III Tampa Extension call on September 9
- I met with the International Drive Chamber of Commerce President on September 16
- I hosted a meeting of Orange County and City of Orlando staff on September 17 to discuss moving forward with design plans for Corrine Drive
- I met with the Orlando Sanford Airport Director on September 21
- I attended the 1000 Friends of Florida Seminole 2070 Event on September 22
- I met with FDOT Work Program Staff on September 27 to discuss funding issues
- I attended the FDOT FTE Toll Rate meeting on September 29
- I attended the ART Invest Boldly Event on September 29
- I hosted the Board Vice Chair along with our newest staff members at the WTS Annual Awards & Scholarship Banquet on September 30
- I participated on the FTP Implementation Committee SIS Policy Plan Update on September 30
- I attended the FDOT Transplex Session on Safety - Vehicles on October 1
- I met with Whitmer & Worrall a Washington D.C based firm under contract with OEP on October 4
- I attended the Osceola State of the County Luncheon on October 6
- I attended the FDOT Transplex Session on Safety – Safe Road Users on October 8
- I attended the CFMPOA Meeting on October 8
- I attended the FDOT Transplex Session on Safety – Safe Roads on October 15
- I participated in the Blind American's Equality Day Event on October 15
- I attended the Orlando Sanford Airport Authority Air Show on October 16
- I attended the Florida Simulation Summit on October 19
- I participated in the FDOT District 5 MPO Executive Director's Virtual Meeting on October 21
- I attended the FDOT Transplex Session on Safety – Safe Road Speeds on October 22
- I attended the TSMO meeting on October 22

- I attended the TAC meeting on October 22
- I attended the CAC meeting on October 27
- I participated in an INVEST Orlando 2022 Interview on October 27
- I attended the MPOAC Director's Meeting on October 28
- I attended the MPOAC Governing Board Meeting on October 28
- I met with Secretary Perdue and Mayor Demings on October 28
- I met with Secretary Perdue and Commissioner Janer on October 28
- I met with Secretary Perdue and Mayor Dyer on October 28
- I attended the FDOT Work Program Open House on October 28
- I attended the FDOT Transplex Session on Safety – Post Crash Care on October 29
- I met with the OEP Leadership on November 1
- I attended the FDOT Mobility Week Blind American's Recognition Event on November 3
- I met with Commissioner Dallari for our MetroPlan agenda review on November 2
- I met with Commissioner Dallari and Tom Nolan, Orlando Sanford Airport on November 2
- I attended the MAC meeting on November 4
- I attended the CFCRC Meeting on November 4
- I met with Secretary Perdue and Commissioner Dallari on November 4
- I met with Secretary Perdue and Commissioner Uribe on November 4
- I met with Commissioner Janer for our MetroPlan agenda review on November 4
- I met with Commissioner Uribe for our MetroPlan agenda review on November 4
- I met with new board member Tom Green for our MetroPlan agenda review on November 4
- I met with Mayor Demings for our MetroPlan agenda review on November 5
- I attended the FDOT Mobility Week Cyclovía Event in St. Cloud on November 5
- I met with Commissioner Cordero for our MetroPlan agenda review on November 8

#### FDOT

- I continue regular meetings with FDOT leadership team

#### NARC

- The Executive Director's Conference and Board Retreat was held September 26-28

#### AMPO

- The AMPO Annual Meeting was held October 5-8
- I attended the Policy Committee meeting virtually

#### MetroPlan Office Operations

- The office will continue to be closed to the public
- Visitors to the office are welcome
- Staff members are slowly adjusting work schedules to spend more time in the office
- Remote work does continue to work for many and will continue to be offered

## Federal Transportation Reauthorization

- As the MetroPlan Board Agenda is being prepared we know that the Senate and House are in session

### Budget Trade-offs Come into Focus as Democrats Seek Consensus.

Some of the trade-offs Democrats are likely to make as they pare back a partisan spending and tax package they're aiming to pass through the filibuster-proof reconciliation process began to take shape on Tuesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. Democrats are hoping to reach agreement on an updated framework on the \$3.5 trillion package which is now cut down to \$2 trillion. Progressives want to keep most programs in the bill but fund them for shorter periods, and moderates want to fund fewer programs but make them permanent or long enough to be fully implemented. Senate Majority Leader Schumer told reporters that the Democrats will compromise on a scaled-down package.

### Member Designated Projects

- Earlier this year, MetroPlan staff as well as many of your staff members worked hard and very quickly on appropriations requests. We were successful in that many of our local projects were selected and included in Rep. DeFazio's bill that the House passed. The Member Designated Projects were stripped from the bipartisan bill but added to the Build Back Better reconciliation bill under the transportation title.
- Of course, the news changes from day to day, but the current plan is to pass both the bipartisan bill and a Senate pre-agreed to reconciliation bill at the same time around Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>. We will have to wait and see if the Member Designated Projects are included in the final package.

## **Orange/Osceola County Project Status Update as of August 31, 2021**

The following is a brief status update on major FDOT road construction projects in Orange and Osceola counties as of the August cutoff. The next cutoff date is September 24, 2021.

Information is also available on [www.cflroads.com](http://www.cflroads.com). For questions, please contact Anna Taylor at 386-943-5499 or via email at [Anna.Taylor@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Anna.Taylor@dot.state.fl.us).

### **Upcoming project:**

#### **439880-8 Orange County Pedestrian Lighting Bundle H**

- Contract E57A9
- Contractor: Upright Electrical Services
- Project Cost: \$127,000
- Estimated Start: September 2021
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021

### **Current projects:**

#### **441144-1 & 435733-1 S.R. 527 (Orange Avenue) Resurfacing from S.R. 482 (Sand Lake Road) to Mandalay Road**

- Contract T5717
- Project Start: August 2021
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2022
- Contractor will be working on realigning crosswalks to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements, improving drainage and pedestrian signals, installing signs and pavement markings, and resurfacing existing roadway to accommodate buffered bike lanes.

#### **441036-1 & 439487-1 U.S. 441 (Kenansville Road) Resurfacing from Okeechobee County Line to S.R. 60 and S.R. 60 Widening from east of S.R. 15 (U.S. 441) to west of S.R. 91 (Florida Turnpike)**

- Contract T5688
- Project Start: July 2021
- Estimated Completion: Late 2021
- Contractor will be working on clearing and grubbing, lighting, widening activities, and drainage.

**442087-1 S.R. 552 (Curry Ford Road) at Fredrica Drive**

- Contract E52A1
- Project Start: June 2021
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2021
- Contractor is working on cleaning up the project site and finalizing traffic signals.

**441017-1 U.S. 441/U.S. 17-92 Resurfacing from north of Cypress Street to Old Dixie Highway**

- Contract E53A9
- Project Start: May 2021
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2021
- Project was completed 8/11/2021.

**439237-1 & 441146-1 S.R. 535 (Apopka-Vineland Road) Resurfacing from south of International Drive to south of Hotel Plaza Boulevard**

- Contract E5Z93
- Project Start: March 2021
- Estimated Completion: Spring 2022
- Contractor is performing concrete work throughout the project. Crews are also working on drainage, conduit tie-ins and pedestrian poles. In addition, paving is scheduled to start on the project.

**441021-1 S.R. 53/U.S. 192 Resurfacing from west of S.R. 417 to Bamboo Lane**

- Contract E51A5
- Project Start: January 2021
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021
- Contractor continues to work on drainage, signalization at intersections, paving and preliminary punch list items.

**407143-4, 407143-5 & 407143-6 S.R. 482 (Sand Lake Road) from west of International Drive to east of Florida's Turnpike and International Drive from Jamaican Court to north of Sand Lake Road**

- Contract T5552
- Project Start: October 2016
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2021
- Project was partially accepted as complete on March 25. However, the contractor still has minor punch list items they are wrapping up, such as drainage work and a valve repair.



**437341-1 S.R. 435 (Kirkman Road) Resurfacing from north of S.R. 482 (Sand Lake Road) to south of S.R. 408 (excluding north of International Drive to Major Boulevard)**

- Contract T5628
- Project Start: August 2019
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2021
- Crews are working on installing traffic signal backplates and permanent signs, placing striping and pavement markings, and addressing miscellaneous punch list items.

**239714-1 S.R. 600/U.S. 17-92 Widening from west of Poinciana Boulevard to Ham Brown Road (C.R. 535)**

- Contract E5Z33
- Project Start: February 2019
- Estimated Completion: Spring 2022
- Contractor is sodding ditches, installing sidewalk, and mounting light poles and bases. Crews are also paving and working on the sound wall and driveway turnouts.

**439880-7 Orange County Pedestrian Lighting Bundle G**

- Contract T5638
- Project Start: January 2021
- Estimated Completion: Unknown
- The contractor, PowerCore, went out of business. Their bonding company has taken over and will need to find another contractor to complete the work.

**Seminole/Orange County Project Status Update  
as of August 31, 2021**

The following is a brief status update on major FDOT road construction projects in Seminole and Orange counties out of Oviedo Operations as of the August cutoff. The next cutoff date is September 24, 2021. Information is also available on [www.cflroads.com](http://www.cflroads.com). For questions, please contact Anna Taylor at 386-943-5499 or via email at [Anna.Taylor@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Anna.Taylor@dot.state.fl.us).

**Upcoming projects:**

**415030-6 Oviedo Ultimate SR 426/CR 419 from Pine Avenue to Avenue B**

- Contract T5736
- Contractor: Masci
- Project Cost: \$18.2 million
- Estimated Start: January 3, 2022
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2023

**441019-1 SR 419 from US 17-92 to SR 434**

- o Project Cost: \$700,000
- o Estimated Start: Fall 2021
- o Estimated Completion: Spring 2022

**Current projects:**

**441197-1 S.R. 426 (West Fairbanks Ave) from U.S. 17-92 to Ward Avenue turn lane extension, roadway resurfacing and sidewalk improvements**

- o Contract E53A6
- o Contractor: Hubbard Construction Company
- o Project Cost: \$320,200
- o Project Start: Summer 2021 (August 16)
- o Estimated Completion: Fall 2021

**442088-1 S.R. 50 at Oberry Hoover Rd - Signals Installation**

- o Contract E54A0
- o Contractor: Chinchor Electric, Inc.
- o Project Cost: \$525,000
- o Project Start: July 13, 2021
- o Estimated Completion: Late 2021

**437634-1 SR 551 (Goldenrod Road) from SR 408 to SR 50**

- o Contract T5718
- o Contractor: Southland Construction, Inc.
- o Project Cost: \$11.25 million
- o Project Start: August 2021
- o Estimated Completion: Summer 2023

**436679-1, 436679-2, 436857-1 Resurfacing/Widening U.S. 17-92 from north of Lake Mary Boulevard to north of Airport Boulevard, along with intersection improvements at Airport Boulevard**

- o Contract T5686
- o Project Start: March 2021
- o Estimated Completion: Summer 2022
- o Contractor is working on Water-main/Force-main Pond grading, Sod placement, median widening, drainage and signalization

**240196-1 Widening U.S. 17-92 from Shepard Road to Lake Mary Boulevard**

- Contract T5557
- Project Start: May 2016
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021
- Contractor is working on paving, installing loops and miscellaneous punch list items.

**440821-1 Ped/Safe Greenway Development ITS Communication**

- Contract T5639
- Project Start: September 2019
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021
- Contractor is installing kiosks, working with Orange County inspectors on getting feedback, installing two traffic signal controllers and testing GPS for as-builts

**434931-1 S.R. 436 from Boston Avenue to Anchor Road Improvements**

- Contract T5680
- Project Start: May 2020
- Estimated Completion: Early 2022
- Contractor completing mast arm foundation and installation and sidewalk construction from railroad tracks to plaza entrance

**441211-1 Countywide ATMS-DMS Phase 1 Seminole County**

- Contract E5Z94
- Project Start: May 2019
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021

**Completed Projects:**

**441365-1-52-01 S.R. 436 (Semoran Boulevard) at Howell Branch Road Intersection Improvements**

- Contract T5701
- Project Start: January 2021
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021
- This project was completed on 5/24/2021

## **Orange/Osceola County Project Status Update as of September 29, 2021**

The following is a brief status update on major FDOT road construction projects in Orange and Osceola counties as of the August cutoff. The next cutoff date is October 15, 2021. Information is also available on [www.cflroads.com](http://www.cflroads.com). For questions, please contact Anna Taylor at 386-943-5499 or via email at [Anna.Taylor@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Anna.Taylor@dot.state.fl.us).

### **Upcoming project:**

#### **437451-1 S.R. 530/U.S. 192 (West Vine Street) from west of 10 Pin to Hoagland Boulevard**

- Contract T5716
- Project Start: October 2021
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2022
- Contractor is widening a new left turn lane and installing traffic signals. Crews are also making lighting upgrades.

### **Current projects:**

#### **239714-1 S.R. 600/U.S. 17-92 Widening from west of Poinciana Boulevard to Ham Brown Road (C.R. 535)**

- Contract E5Z33
- Project Start: February 2019
- Estimated Completion: Spring 2022
- Contractor is sodding ditches, installing sidewalk, and mounting light poles and bases. Crews are also paving and working on the sound wall and driveway turnouts.

#### **407143-4, 407143-5 & 407143-6 S.R. 482 (Sand Lake Road) from west of International Drive to east of Florida's Turnpike and International Drive from Jamaican Court to north of Sand Lake Road**

- Contract T5552
- Project Start: October 2016
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2021
- Project was partially accepted as complete on March 25. However, the contractor still has minor punch list items they are wrapping up, such as drainage work and a valve repair.

**437341-1 S.R. 435 (Kirkman Road) Resurfacing from north of S.R. 482 (Sand Lake Road) to south of S.R. 408 (excluding north of International Drive to Major Boulevard)**

- Contract T5628
- Project Start: August 2019
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2021
- Crews are working on installing traffic signal backplates and permanent signs, placing striping and pavement markings, and addressing miscellaneous punch list items.

**439237-1 & 441146-1 S.R. 535 (Apopka-Vineland Road) Resurfacing from south of International Drive to south of Hotel Plaza Boulevard**

- Contract E5Z93
- Project Start: March 2021
- Estimated Completion: Spring 2022
- Contractor is performing concrete work throughout the project. Crews are also working on drainage, conduit tie-ins and pedestrian poles. In addition, paving is scheduled to start on the project.

**439880-7 Orange County Pedestrian Lighting Bundle G**

- Contract T5638
- Project Start: January 2021
- Estimated Completion: Unknown
- The contractor, PowerCore, went out of business. Their bonding company has taken over and will need to find another contractor to complete the work.

**439880-8 Orange County Pedestrian Lighting Bundle H**

- Contract E57A9
- Contractor: Upright Electrical Services
- Estimated Start: September 2021
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021
- The contractor has installed lights on U.S. 441 (Orange Blossom Trail) and working on installing the lights on Orange Avenue.

**441021-1 S.R. 530/U.S. 192 Resurfacing from west of S.R. 417 to Bamboo Lane**

- Contract E51A5
- Project Start: January 2021
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021
- Contractor continues to work on drainage, signalization at intersections, paving and preliminary punch list items.

**441036-1 & 439487-1 U.S. 441 (Kenansville Road) Resurfacing from Okeechobee County Line to S.R. 60 and S.R. 60 Widening from east of S.R. 15 (U.S. 441) to west of S.R. 91 (Florida Turnpike)**

- Contract T5688
- Project Start: July 2021
- Estimated Completion: Late 2021
- Contractor will be working on clearing and grubbing, lighting, widening activities, and drainage.

**441144-1 & 435733-1 S.R. 527 (Orange Avenue) Resurfacing from S.R. 482 (Sand Lake Road) to Mandalay Road**

- Contract T5717
- Project Start: August 2021
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2022
- The contractor is realigning crosswalks to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements, improving drainage and pedestrian signals, installing signs and pavement markings, and resurfacing existing roadway to accommodate buffered bike lanes.

**442087-1 S.R. 552 (Curry Ford Road) at Fredrica Drive**

- Contract E52A1
- Project Start: June 2021
- Project was completed on September 23, 2021.

**Seminole/Orange County Project Status Update  
as of September 24, 2021**

The following is a brief status update on major FDOT road construction projects in Seminole and Orange counties out of Oviedo Operations as of the September cutoff. The next cutoff date is October 29, 2021. Information is also available on [www.cflroads.com](http://www.cflroads.com). For questions, please contact Anna Taylor at 386-943-5499 or via email at [Anna.Taylor@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Anna.Taylor@dot.state.fl.us).

**Upcoming projects:**

**415030-6 Oviedo Ultimate SR 426/CR 419 from Pine Avenue to Avenue B**

- Contract T5736
- Contractor: Masci
- Project Cost: \$18.2 million
- Estimated Start: January 3, 2022
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2023

**441019-1 SR 419 from US 17-92 to SR 434**

- Project Cost: \$700,000
- Estimated Start: Fall 2021
- Estimated Completion: Spring 2022

**Current projects:**

**441197-1 S.R. 426 (West Fairbanks Ave) from U.S. 17-92 to Ward Avenue turn lane extension, roadway resurfacing and sidewalk improvements**

- Contract E53A6
- Contractor: Hubbard Construction Company
- Project Cost: \$320,200
- Project Start: Summer 2021 (August 16)
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021

**442088-1 S.R. 50 at Oberry Hoover Rd - Signals Installation**

- Contract E54A0
- Contractor: Chinchor Electric, Inc.
- Project Cost: \$525,000
- Project Start: July 13, 2021
- Estimated Completion: Late 2021

**437634-1 SR 551 (Goldenrod Road) from SR 408 to SR 50**

- Contract T5718
- Contractor: Southland Construction, Inc.
- Project Cost: \$11.25 million
- Project Start: August 2021
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2023

**436679-1, 436679-2, 436857-1 Resurfacing/Widening U.S. 17-92 from north of Lake Mary Boulevard to north of Airport Boulevard, along with intersection improvements at Airport Boulevard**

- Contract T5686
- Project Start: March 2021
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2022
- Contractor is working on Water-main/Force-main Pond grading, Sod placement, median widening, drainage and signalization

**240196-1 Widening U.S. 17-92 from Shepard Road to Lake Mary Boulevard**

- Contract T5557
- Project Start: May 2016
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021
- Contractor is working on paving, installing loops and miscellaneous punch list items.

**440821-1 Ped/Safe Greenway Development ITS Communication**

- Contract T5639
- Project Start: September 2019
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021
- Contractor is installing kiosks, working with Orange County inspectors on getting feedback, installing two traffic signal controllers and testing GPS for as-builts

**434931-1 S.R. 436 from Boston Avenue to Anchor Road Improvements**

- Contract T5680
- Project Start: May 2020
- Estimated Completion: Early 2022
- Contractor completing mast arm foundation and installation and sidewalk construction from railroad tracks to plaza entrance

**441211-1 Countywide ATMS-DMS Phase 1 Seminole County**

- Contract E5Z94
- Project Start: May 2019
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021

**Completed Projects:**

**441365-1-52-01 S.R. 436 (Semoran Boulevard) at Howell Branch Road Intersection Improvements**

- Contract T5701
- Project Start: January 2021
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021
- This project was completed on 5/24/2021



## Air Quality Monitoring: Ozone Attainment Status

**January - September**

**As of October 1, 2021**

Seminole State College (#C117-1002)		
Year	Fourth Highest 8-Hour Average (Displayed in Parts per Billion)	Date
2021	62	13-Apr
2020	60	3-Apr
2019	62	28-May
2018	64	16-Mar

2020 3-Year Attainment Average: 62

2021 Year-to-Date 3-Year Running Average: 61

Change 1

Osceola Co. Fire Station - Four Corners (#C097-2002)		
Year	Fourth Highest 8-Hour Average (Displayed in Parts per Billion)	Date
2021	62	8-Apr
2020	60	22-Apr
2019	72	23-Mar
2018	67	10-May

2020 3-Year Attainment Average: 66

2021 Year-to-Date 3-Year Running Average: 65

Change 1

Lake Isle Estates - Winter Park (#095-2002)		
Year	Fourth Highest 8-Hour Average (Displayed in Parts per Billion)	Date
2021	60	13-Apr
2020	62	3-May
2019	65	28-May
2018	63	17-Mar

2020 3-Year Attainment Average: 63

2021 Year-to-Date 3-Year Running Average: 62

Change 1

Skyview Drive (#L095-0010)		
Year	Fourth Highest 8-Hour Average (Displayed in Parts per Billion)	Date
2021	62	13-Apr
2020	54	3-May
2019	61	21-Mar
2018	60	11-May

2019 3-Year Attainment Average: 58

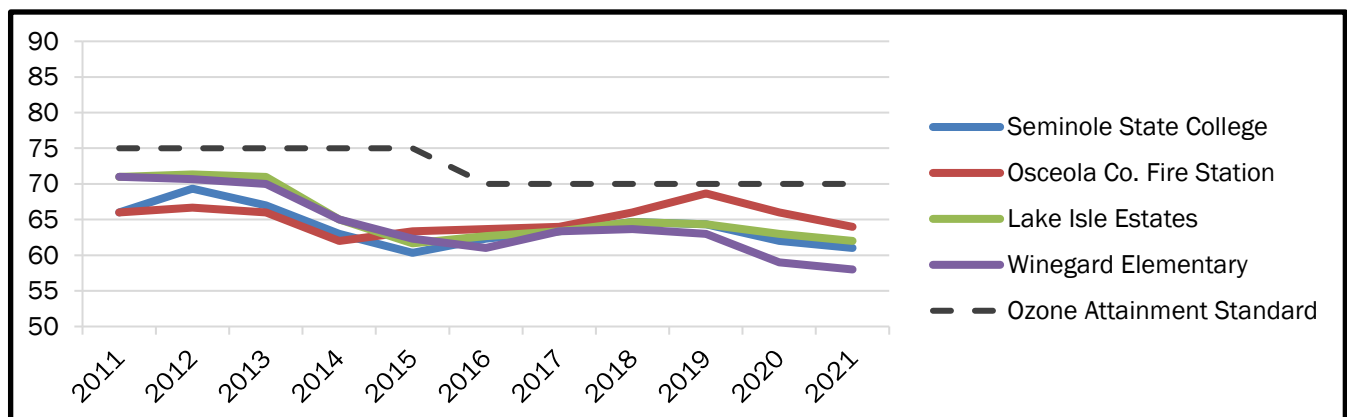
2021 Year-to-Date 3-Year Running Average: 59

Change (1)

**NOTE:** Skyview Drive replaces Winegard Elementary

## 10-Year Historic Ozone Attainment Status

*(Displayed in Parts per Billion)*

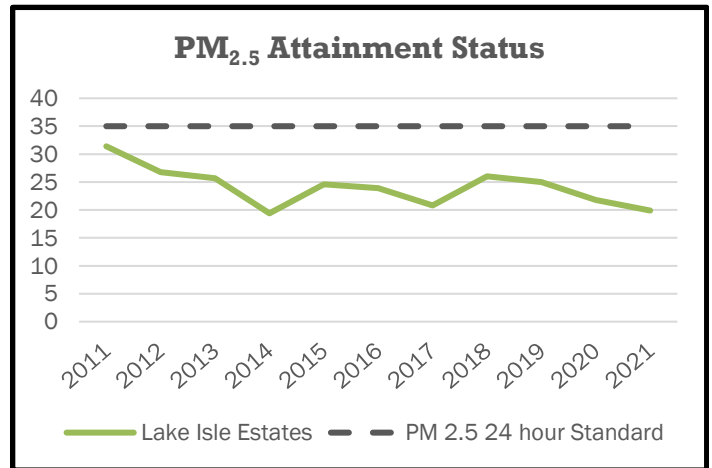


**Source:** Florida Department of Environmental Protection

**Air Quality Monitoring: Particulate Matter 2.5 Attainment Status**  
*As of October 1, 2021*

Lake Isle Estates - Winter Park (#095-2002)		
Year	Daily Average PM <sub>2.5</sub> (micrograms per cubic meter)	Date
2021	20	5-Feb
2020	22	15-Apr
2019	20	22-Jun
2018	23	15-Mar

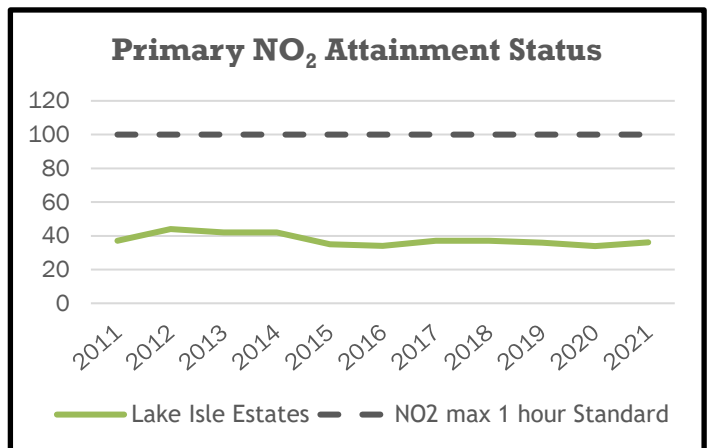
PM <sub>2.5</sub> 24 hour NAAQ Standard	35
98th percentile, 3 year average - 2021	21
98th percentile, 3 year average - 2020	22



**Air Quality Monitoring: Primary NO<sub>2</sub> Attainment Status**  
*As of October 1, 2021*

Lake Isle Estates - Winter Park (#095-2002)		
Year	Primary NO <sub>2</sub> max one hour average (Parts per Billion)	Date
2021	36	6-Apr
2020	34	10-Dec
2019	31	22-Mar
2018	41	17-Apr

NO <sub>2</sub> max 1 hour average NAAQ Standard	100
98th percentile, 3 year average - 2021	34
98th percentile, 3 year average - 2020	35



*Source: Florida Department of Environmental Protection*

September 23, 2021

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg  
U.S. Department of Transportation  
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

Subject: *FY 2021 Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program –  
CFRC/SunRail Universal Crossovers Project*

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

On behalf of the MetroPlan Orlando Governing Board, I am pleased to provide this letter in support of the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) grant application for the Federal Railroad Administration's (FRA) Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) Program. MetroPlan Orlando is the federally designated metropolitan planning organization for Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties. Our region is home to approximately 2.1 million residents and a significant tourist population; in 2018 we welcomed 75 million visitors to Central Florida. The grant sought by FDOT is to improve railroad infrastructure that not only benefits SunRail commuter service but intercity passenger and freight operations as well.

Florida continues to see significant increases in population growth which creates transportation challenges and necessitates mobility options such as passenger rail service. Through the cooperation of federal, state, and local governments, rail services in Central Florida have been a success story and a true partnership. The CFRC and SunRail commuter services have continually enhanced the transportation and economic vitality of the thriving Central Florida region. The CFRC hosts SunRail, freight carriers CSX Transportation (CSXT) and Florida Central Railroad (FCEN), and Amtrak intercity passenger rail, which makes the Universal Crossovers Project an ideal candidate under the CRISI Program.

This grant request is for the CFRC/SunRail Universal Crossovers Project to construct two new universal crossovers within the CFRC adjacent to the SunRail LYNX Central Station (MP 789.71/MP 789.91) in downtown Orlando, and another located between the SunRail Meadow Woods and Tupperware Stations (MP 803) on the southern end of the Corridor. The resulting increase in operational efficiency will not only benefit SunRail commuter service, but also provides uninterrupted movement of people, goods, and services by CSXT, FCEN, and Amtrak, allowing trains to switch tracks safely in the event of an incident and during track maintenance and/or construction activities occurring within the corridor. The CFRC/SunRail Universal Crossovers Project will strengthen the transportation network that is critical to the vitality and growth of Florida's economy. I am hopeful that FDOT's grant application receives your full consideration.

Sincerely,



Gary Huttman, AICP  
Executive Director



August 11, 2021

Xiaopeng (Shaw) Li, Ph.D.  
Director, National Institute for Congestion Reduction (NICR)  
Center for Urban Transportation Research, University of South Florida  
4202 E. Fowler Avenue, CUTR 231  
Tampa, FL 33620-5350

**RE: Proposal Title: Visual-Enhanced Cooperative Traffic Operations (VECTOR) System**  
**Area of Interest (AOI 6): Low-cost Infrastructure-based Enablers for Cooperative Driving Automation**  
**Period of Performance: 10/1/2021 – 12/31/2024**

Dear Dr. Li:

This letter is to confirm our commitment to the above referenced proposal to the Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) Vehicle Technologies Office, Fiscal Year 2021 Research Funding opportunity.

MetroPlan Orlando is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Orlando Urbanized Area, including Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties. We have worked on several projects incorporating emerging technologies, e.g., connected automated vehicles, into planning and evaluation considering energy, safety and mobility improvement, as well as affordability, future deployment, equity and sustainability. As part of the research, MetroPlan Orlando will coordinate with seven MPOs in the Central Florida Mega Region to provide support on evaluation of and feedback on the proposed technologies; facilitate use of planning models in the region to evaluate the benefits, impacts and potential applications of these technologies beyond the research.

We are pleased to endorse our commitment for this proposal. If the proposal is selected for funding, it is our intent as an agency to collaborate with Dr. Li's team, including:

- (1) Providing available data to support proposed study.
- (2) Providing personnel hours to support project activities including (1) Leading Task 8.1 to coordinate stakeholders; (2) attending stakeholder meetings, (2) providing support on the evaluation of the proposed technologies, and (3) providing feedback on the proposed study. The estimated total number of personnel hours of Mr. Hill is 170 for year one and 174 for years two and three. This information is presented in the table below.

Xiaopeng (Shaw) Li, Ph.D.  
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	Hours	170	174	174	518
		Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Total
Salary		\$ 12,051.00	\$ 12,890.00	\$ 13,406.00	\$ 38,347.00
Fringe*	35.00%	\$ 4,218.00	\$ 4,512.00	\$ 4,692.00	\$ 13,422.00
Indirect**	18.07%	\$ 2,939.00	\$ 3,144.00	\$ 3,269.00	\$ 9,352.00
Total		\$ 19,208.00	\$ 20,546.00	\$ 21,367.00	\$ 61,121.00

Fringe is based off of Salary

Indirect is based off of Salary + Fringe Costs

Period 1: 10/01-2021 - 12/31/2022

Period 2: 01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023

Period 3: 01/01/2024 - 12/31/2024

If you have any questions on this letter, please contact me at 407.481.5672, ext. 319, or Email:  
[ghuttmann@metroplanorlando.org](mailto:ghuttmann@metroplanorlando.org)

Sincerely,



Gary Huttman, AICP  
Executive Director



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A REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PARTNERSHIP

September 13, 2021

Dr. Xiaoping Li, Director  
National Institute for Congestion Reduction (NICR)  
Center for Urban Transportation Research, University of South Florida  
4202 E. Fowler Ave. STOP: ENG030  
Tampa, FL, 33620-5350

Dear Dr. Li:

This letter is to serve as the notice to proceed for the project entitled "Feasibility of Regional Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) Program" with funds from Metroplan in the amount of \$50,000.

Metroplan agrees to work with Ms. Kristine Williams of the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) at the University of South Florida (USF) on this National Institute for Congestion Reduction (NICR) research project which was selected for funding in Year 2 (2021-2022).

MetroPlan Orlando will provide technology transfer support by:

- Informing the Regional TSMO Program Working Group (7 MPOs in Central of Florida) of the ongoing status of the project,
- Inviting the research team and MetroPlan Orlando staff to present at a regular meeting of the Central Florida MPO Alliance, MPOs Chairs Coordinating Committee and Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) for a discussion on regional TSMO decision-making frameworks, and
- Distributing the research results for free download on the MPOAC website.

We strongly support this project and look forward to proceeding with the research.

Sincerely,

Gary Huttman, AICP  
Executive Director

September 8, 2021

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Speaker  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Chuck Schumer  
Majority Leader  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Speaker Pelosi and Majority Leader Schumer:

On behalf of the undersigned organizations, we thank you for your efforts to advance two much-needed funding packages to support infrastructure. We are some of the largest transportation and planning organizations in the nation tackling critical infrastructure issues such as transportation, land use, and housing to bolster economic development and improve the environment.

The bipartisan infrastructure bill contains significant funding and programs to support some aspects of our missions as regional planning agencies; however to address the staggering housing, transportation, and climate issues we are confronted with, we believe that it is necessary to establish a funding program in reconciliation to help regions tackle these multifaceted issues.

We encourage Congress to bolster the efforts in the bipartisan infrastructure bill by incorporating programs to help comprehensively address regional challenges, including:

- Establishing a new program or increasing funding for existing programs that make regional entities eligible to directly access federal funding to address the integrated regional challenges of housing, infrastructure to support infill development, and the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions;
- Incorporating a broad range of GHG emission reduction strategies and support for infill development in any climate-focused program;
- Providing funding to implement strategies that improve the efficiency of the transportation system, reduce environmental impacts of transportation, promote efficient access to jobs, and identify strategies to encourage development patterns which achieve these goals.

These policies can help regions drive targeted development, leverage private sector support, create jobs, support efforts to address the housing crisis, improve transportation

efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. We stand ready and willing to work with you to advance more innovative approaches to our region's infrastructure challenges.

Sincerely,

James Corless  
Executive Director  
Sacramento Area Council of  
Governments

Michael Skipper  
Executive Director  
Greater Nashville Regional Council

Therese W. McMillan  
Executive Director  
San Francisco Bay Area Metropolitan  
Transportation Commission

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Executive Director  
Metropolitan Washington Council of  
Governments

cc:

U.S. House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee  
U.S. House Committee on Financial Services  
U.S. House Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs  
U.S. Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works  
U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations



October 21, 2021

Ms. Richelle J. Ellis  
Access Program Planning Coordinator  
Federal Highway Administration  
Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division  
22001 Loudoun County Parkway  
Building E2, Suite 200  
Ashburn, VA 20147

Re: Letter of Support for the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) Florida Black Bear Scenic Trail Grant Application

Ms. Ellis:

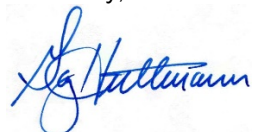
On behalf of MetroPlan Orlando, the metropolitan planning organization for Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties I am requesting your support for the Florida Black Bear Scenic Trail application to the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP). MetroPlan Orlando is a member of the Central Florida MPO Alliance (CFMPOA). The CFMPOA is an alliance of the six Metropolitan Planning organizations in Central Florida who regularly work together, especially on regionally significant issues and projects.

The Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) was established in 23 U.S.C. 204 to improve transportation facilities that provide access to, are adjacent to, or are located on Federal lands. In Florida the FLAP is administered by Eastern Federal Lands (EFL). This project meets all the eligibility requirements for this funding program and will further the statewide SUN Trail regional trail program.

The Black Bear Scenic Trail will fill the largest gap within the SUN Trail Heart of Florida Loop. The Heart of Florida Loop is a network of trails spanning 250 miles across ten Central Florida counties. The trail will link the Ocala National Forest to the Lake George State Forest and provide connections to other trails in the area, such as the Florida National Scenic Trail. The Black Bear Scenic Trail will create a new corridor on which residents and visitors can experience more of Central Florida. This project includes numerous stakeholders and partners, and includes close coordination with federal, state, city, and county agencies.

MetroPlan Orlando looks forward to continuing the strong interagency partnership fostered through this application process. I hope for a favorable review of this application. Thank you for considering this grant request. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 407 481-5672 or by email at [ghuttmann@metroplanorlando.org](mailto:ghuttmann@metroplanorlando.org).

Sincerely,



Gary Huttman, AICP  
Executive Director